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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants:	John Colucci, et al.		
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For:	IRREVERSIBLE CASPASE-3 INHIBITORS AS ACTIVE SITE PROBES		Examiner: Nolan, Jason M

Commissioner for Patents  
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AMENDMENT

Sir:

This Amendment is in response to the Office Action dated August 13, 2007, setting forth a shortened statutory period for response ending November 13, 2007. Please amend the above-identified application as set forth below.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the Listing of Claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 13 of this paper.

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